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House Bill 739

By: Representative Hembree of the 67th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Part 3 of Article 10 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia
- 2 Annotated, relating to ad valorem taxation of mobile homes, the issuance of location permits
- 3 for mobile homes, and the return for taxation thereof, so as to change the date on which
- 4 returns and payment of taxes are due; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective
- 5 date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 SECTION 1.

- 8 Part 3 of Article 10 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
- 9 relating to ad valorem taxation of mobile homes, the issuance of location permits for mobile
- 10 homes, and the return for taxation thereof, is amended by striking Code Section 48-5-492,
- relating to issuance of mobile home location permits and issuance and display of decals, and
- inserting in lieu thereof a new Code Section 48-5-492 to read as follows:
- 13 "48-5-492.
- 14 (a) Each year every owner of a mobile home subject to taxation under this article shall
- obtain on or before May 1 April 1 from the tax collector or tax commissioner of the county
- of taxation of the mobile home a mobile home location permit. The issuance of the permit
- by the tax collector or tax commissioner shall be evidenced by the issuance of a decal, the
- color of which shall be prescribed for each year by the commissioner. Each decal shall
- reflect the county of issuance and the calendar year for which the permit is issued. The
- decal shall be prominently attached and displayed on the mobile home by the owner.
- 21 (b) Except as provided for mobile homes owned by a dealer, no mobile home location
- permit shall be issued by the tax collector or tax commissioner until all ad valorem taxes
- due on the mobile home have been paid. Each year every owner of a mobile home situated
- in this state on January 1 which is not subject to taxation under this article shall obtain on
- or before May 1 April 1 from the tax collector or tax commissioner of the county where the
- 26 mobile home is situated a mobile home location permit. The issuance of the permit shall

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be evidenced by the issuance of a decal which shall reflect the county of issuance and the

- 2 calendar year for which the permit is issued. The decal shall be prominently attached and
- displayed on the mobile home by the owner."

4 SECTION 2.

- 5 Said part is further amended by striking Code Section 48-5-494, relating to the time for
- 6 making returns and remitting payment of taxes due on mobile homes, and inserting in its
- 7 place a new Code Section 48-5-494 to read as follows:
- 8 "48-5-494.
- 9 Each year every owner of a mobile home subject to taxation under this article shall return
- the mobile home for taxation and shall pay the taxes due on the mobile home at the time
- the owner applies for the mobile home location permit, or at the time of the first sale or
- transfer of the mobile home after December 31, or on May 1 April 1, whichever occurs
- first. If the owner returns such owner's mobile home for taxation prior to the date that the
- application for the mobile home location permit is required, such owner shall apply for the
- permit at the time such owner returns the mobile home for taxation."

SECTION 3.

- 17 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
- 18 without such approval.

19 **SECTION 4.**

20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.